

The table presented below gives the number of miles of main track and rolling stock of railroads in Indiana for 1874, as assessed and equalized by the State Board. The recapitulation shows also the number of miles and total value of the side tracks, etc:

RECAPITULATION.	
	Miles. Value.
Main Track.....	3,137.12 \$27,857.08
Side Track.....	437.51 2,669.50
Rolling Stock.....	
Canada Southern, Right of Way.....	9,067.342 54,840
Total Miles.....	4,194.63
Total Valuation.....	\$35,526.58

THEM TENDENCY TO STEAL CHILDREN, as will be noted by all whose memory retains the news which daily meets the eye in the all-reporting press. Below will be found some of the most notable cases of child-stealing in modern times in Europe and America, from which it will be seen that the recent Philadelphia sensation is not unique. There are many old severe laws against this offense. It was frequent at a comparatively late period in Scotland and Ireland, where, on account of the feebleness of the law and the geographical facilities, severe laws were directed against it in vain. By the act of tenth of George IV., chapter 31, it was made punishable with death in England. This was mitigated to transportation for the first of the fifth and sixth of Victoria, chapter 23, and to imprisonment which had been assigned in England to its fourteen years earlier by Sir Robert Peel's consolidation act. It is provided by the act of ninth George IV., chapter 31, that if any person shall maliciously, either by force or fraud, lead or take away, or entice or decoy, or attempt to lead or take away, or entice or decoy, or attempt to entice or decoy, any child with intent to defraud the parents, or to deprive the parents of the charge of such child, or shall detain or receive and harbor any child so stolen or enticed away, shall be held guilty of a felony, to be punished by transportation for seven years, or by imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for any term not more than two years, and, if a male, to be whipped in the first three years. Under the Criminal Law of Scotland, as laid down by Sir Archibald Alison, in his "Principles of Criminal Law," the stealing of a child is

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When the people of France, stung to desperation by long and cruel wrongs under the monarchy, which for 800 years had enslaved and humiliated them, in 1793 deposed and put to death their sovereign, Louis XVII. and his queen, the beautiful Austrian, Maria Antoinette, they left alive the Dauphin, Charles Lewis, a boy eight years old, and his mother, Marie Therese, and assigned to the cruel care of one Simon, the comrade of the guillotine, the education of the child. Him the royalists proclaimed king as Louis XVII. Simon's care made the boy an imbecile, almost an idiot. He was grievously afflicted with scrofulous sores in his legs, especially the right one, which he carried away in an elephant in the hands of the chosen democratic leaders of the French people. He had done naught to merit death, and though the "fierce democracy" were not scrupulous in regard to taking off heads of men, they were not without a way. It is quite easy to understand that they interrupted at shedding the blood of this innocent who played with straws. Still he was in the way. He was equally worthless for the French among the properties of the royalists, and the child, who was the only child, as king, would have necessitated a regency. This is a poor resource at any time; doubly so when royalty is excluded from the throne and must wait and fight for its restoration. Simon fell from his mission when Louis lost his head. In 1844 the constitution decreed that the committee of government should "find means of sending the son of Louis out of the republic." But he was sick. It can readily be supposed there was no agreement made between the two hostile factions of the day, the republicans and the royalists, to relieve themselves of his presence. On the 6th of June, 1795, it was reported to the convention that he was dead and three surgeons testified that he was the victim of scrofula. He was no more in the way. The republicans were free to do his case no further troubled the republicans.

Now that the day of the drawing is absolutely determined, there remains no further occasion for delay, and I would urge the friends of the enterprise, who intend to purchase tickets, to send in their orders, as it will tax my office to its utmost capacity to accomplish all that is to be done in the short time which remains for the sale of tickets.

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